

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.     **(Currently Amended)**     A stabilizer for vehicles, comprising:  
  
a torsion portion extending in a width direction of a vehicle;  
  
arm portions extending in a forward or backward direction from ~~both side~~  
opposite end portions of the torsion portion;  
  
~~straight portions provided in a vicinity of both side~~ proximate to the opposite end  
portions of the torsion portion, the straight portions extending along ~~with~~ an axial  
direction thereof;  
  
~~leading~~ end portions of the arm portions,  
  
the ~~leading~~ end portions of the arm portions being mounted to the vehicle, and  
the straight portions being mounted to the vehicle via bushes; and  
  
a stopper provided at to one of the straight portions, the stopper preventing one  
of the straight portions from moving more than a predetermined distance in an axial  
direction with respect to one of the bushes, which is provided to one of the straight  
portions bush.
2.     **(Currently Amended)**     A The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim  
1, wherein the ~~stoppers are respectively~~ stopper is provided at ~~both~~ to opposite sides of  
one of the bushes.
3.     **(Currently Amended)**     A The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim  
2, wherein the stopper has a ring-shaped portion.

4. **(Withdrawn)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 3, wherein a notch allowing the stopper to pass through the leading end portion of the arm portion is formed in the inside of the ring-shaped portion.

5. **(Currently Amended)** A The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a C-shaped portion and is caulked ~~to be fixed~~ around one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

6. **(Currently Amended)** A The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a U-shaped portion and is fit to ~~be fixed around~~ one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

7. **(Withdrawn)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper is made of rubber and is fastened by a clasper to be fixed around the straight portion.

8. **(Withdrawn)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 1, wherein the stopper is provided in the inside of one of the bushes.

9. **(Withdrawn)** A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 8, wherein a hollow portion having inner walls at both side ends thereof is formed in the bush and the stopper is held by the inner walls.

10. **(Currently Amended)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles, ~~comprising: the stabilizer including~~ a torsion portion extending in a width direction of a vehicle; arm portions extending in a forward or backward direction from ~~both side opposite~~ end portions of the torsion portion; straight portions provided ~~in a vicinity of both side proximate to opposite~~ end portions of the torsion portion, the straight portions extending along with an axial direction thereof; ~~leading end portions of the arm portions,~~

the leading end portions of the arm portions being mounted to the vehicle, and the straight portions being mounted to the vehicle via bushes, ~~[[;]]~~ the method comprising the steps of:

fixing a stopper at to one of the straight portions, the stopper preventing one of the straight ~~portion~~ portions from moving more than a predetermined distance in an axial direction with respect to one of the bushes which is provided to one fo the straight portions ~~the bush~~;

mounting one of the straight portions ~~portion~~, which is ~~in the vicinity of~~ proximate to the stopper, to the vehicle via one of the bushes ~~a bush~~; and

mounting another of the ~~other~~ straight ~~portion~~ portions to the vehicle via another of the bushes ~~bush~~.

11. **(Currently Amended)** A The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 10, wherein the stopper is ~~stoppers are respectively~~ provided at ~~both~~ to opposite sides of one of the bushes.

12. **(Currently Amended)** A The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a ring-shaped portion.

13. **(Withdrawn)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 12, wherein a notch allowing the stopper to pass through the leading end portion of the arm portion is formed in the inside of the ring-shaped portion.

14. **(Currently Amended)** A The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a C-shaped portion and is caulked ~~to be fixed~~ around one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

15. **(Currently Amended)** A The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a U-shaped portion and is fit to ~~be fixed around one of the straight portions~~ portion.

16. **(Withdrawn)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper is made of rubber and is fastened by a clasper to be fixed around the straight portion.

17. **(Withdrawn)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 10, wherein the stopper is provided in the inside of one of the bushes.

18. **(Withdrawn)** A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 17, wherein a hollow portion having inner walls at both side ends thereof is formed in the bush and the stopper is held by the inner walls.